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- (1) Procuring, storing, and issuing basic supplies for use in all postal facilities.
- (2) Arranging for the transportation of supplies to facilities.
- (b) *Mail Equipment Shop.* The Mail Equipment Shop, located in Washington, DC, is responsible for:
- (1) Manufacturing mail bags, sacks, and pouches.
 - (2) Manufacturing locks and keys.
- (3) Manufacturing hardware items used for mail security and for customer service lobby equipment.

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§227.4 Engineering and Technical Support Department.

- (a) Maintenance Technical Support Center (MTSC). The Maintenance Technical Support Center, located in Norman, OK, is responsible for:
- (1) Developing policies, programs, methods, and standards for the maintenance of mail processing equipment.
- (2) Issuing guidelines to field managers on building systems and mail processing equipment maintenance procedures.
- (b) Engineering and Development Center. The Engineering and Development Center, located in Merrifield, Virginia, is responsible for:
- (1) Providing engineering and nearterm development support for letter mail equipment, packaged mail equipment, delivery and retail equipment, and associated systems and software.
- (2) Directing near-term development and modifications to equipment and components to increase efficiency, reliability, and to improve safety.
- (3) Conducting tests to evaluate new equipment for Postal service use; performing failure analyses on equipment and components.
- (4) Providing applied engineering to customize commercial technology and equipment for postal use.

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§ 227.5 Employee Relations Department.

National Test Administration Center (NTAC). The National Test Administration Center, located in Alexandria, VA, is responsible for:

- (a) Receipt and processing of requests to give examinations.
- (b) Preparing and distributing registers of eligible applicants and notices of ratings.

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§227.6 Training and Development Department.

- (a) Technical Training Center. The Technical Training Center, located in Norman, OK, is responsible for:
- (1) Developing training materials for craft employees in maintenance and related crafts.
- (2) Performing training for technical employees.
- (b) William F. Bolger Management Academy. The William F. Bolger Management Academy, located in Potomac, MD, is responsible for:
- (1) Developing training materials for supervisors, postmasters, and other managerial employees.
- (2) Performing training for managerial employees.

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§227.7 Information Resource Management Department.

- (a) National Information Systems Support Center. The National Information Systems Support Center, located in Raleigh, NC, is responsible for:
- (1) Designing new large-scale automated systems and writing the supporting program code.
- (2) Managing the nationwide voice and data communications system.
- (b) *Postal Data Centers.* The Postal Data Centers, located in Minneapolis, MN, New York, NY, St. Louis, MO, San Mateo, CA, and Wilkes-Barre, PA, are responsible for:
- (i) Systems analysis, computer programming, and other systems development activities.
- (2) Accounting, accounts payable, payroll, money order disbursing, claims and loss settlement, and other financial services.
- (3) Data processing and related computer services.

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